

It would also be very helpful to the Chair and to the reading clerk if you arrive at the conclusion that you will not present amendments to send to him or to me a little memo indicating that you will not. We can then pull the folders out of the group and can move forward much more expeditiously.

May I again also urge you to confine your remarks to one statement on a question, and not make repeated statements and limit your debate strictly within the timetable and even a less time than that.

As you all know, the Committee on Rules, Credentials and Convention Budget recommended to the Committee on Calendar and Agenda that it adopt as a part of the debate schedule a much more rigid and strict limitation on debate than has heretofore been the case. The Committee is very reluctant to do this. It does not want to limit by debate schedule the delegates to one speech per question. Instead, we urge you to have a self-imposed restraint and limit yourself to one speech per question and make that one short and to the point.

There is one other possibility. If we find that repeated amendments are being offered to raise the same question over and over again, there is the possibility for the Committee on Calendar and Agenda to suggest for your consideration a strict limitation of debate by fixing a time at which the vote on any given question will be taken. This would effectively shut off all debate.

These are devices which are open under the rules if the Convention feels it is necessary to adopt them. I certainly hope it will not be necessary. They will not even be submitted to you if all the delegates will follow the rules of self-imposed restraint, both in the offering of the amendments and in debate.

The Chair recognizes Delegate Powers, Chairman of the Committee on Calendar and Agenda.

DELEGATE POWERS: Mr. President, I move that the Convention resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole to resume consideration of the orders of the day.

THE PRESIDENT: Is there a second?

(Whereupon, the motion was duly seconded.)

THE PRESIDENT: All those in favor, signify by saying Aye; contrary, No. The Ayes have it. It is so ordered.

(Whereupon, at 10:15 A.M., the Convention resolved itself into the Committee of the Whole.)

(The mace was removed by the Sergeant-at-Arms.)

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

NOVEMBER 21, 1967—10:15 A.M.

PRESIDENT H. VERNON ENEY,
PRESIDING

THE CHAIRMAN: The Committee of the Whole will please come to order.

We concluded yesterday a consideration of Amendment No. 33, and down through section 5.15.

Section 5.16 is now open for amendment. I believe there is a minority report as to that section.

THE CHAIRMAN: Delegate Johnson, do you still propose to offer your amendment?

DELEGATE JOHNSON: No, Mr. Chairman. Because of the actions of the Committee of the Whole with respect to the nominating commission, our amendment would not be in order, but I understand Delegate James Clark has one that would be in order.

THE CHAIRMAN: Thank you.

The page will please distribute amendment CK. This will be Amendment No. 34.

For what purpose does Delegate Malkus rise?

DELEGATE MALKUS: I rose a long time ago, and you looked in every direction but here. I want to speak on personal privilege before we get into the subject matter.

THE CHAIRMAN: State the privilege.

DELEGATE MALKUS: Mr. President and members of this Convention:

Yesterday I asked that your staff prepare an amendment which would allow the governor to make the appointments. I asked that the amendment not be made public until it was introduced on the floor.

Now, that is a privilege that I have known in my long stay in the General Assembly.

That is a privilege that I think I have a right to have. I would like to throw it